

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANTHONY G. BROWN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. BROWN of Maryland. Madam Speaker, on October 2, 2020, I was absent from the House of Representatives. Had I been present, I would have voted "YEA" on Roll Call No. 217, on Agreeing to the Resolution Condemning unwanted, unnecessary medical procedures on individuals without their full, informed consent.

This resolution, which I am an original cosponsor of, rightfully condemns medical practices at the Irwin County Detention Center (ICDC), in Ocilla, Georgia, which may have resulted in unwanted and unnecessary surgeries that, in some cases, are reported to have resulted in life altering injuries to the reproductive health of immigrant women held at that facility. Reproductive health is an essential component of women's health and the rights of women to control medical decisions about their bodies is invaluable. This resolution states in no unwavering terms that any decisions made regarding the health of immigrants held in ICE custody must include informed consent. These are violations of individuals' human rights and must be investigated fully.

HONORING RODERICK BRADFORD

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a tenacious and ambitious man, Mr. Roderick Bradford. Roderick has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication and a desire to serve others.

Roderick is a graduate of Grambling State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Management in 1999.

He has more than 20 years of management experience and seven-plus years of specialized experience in the financial services industry, after working for both Capital One and Chase Home Mortgage.

Roderick serves in the Men's Ministry at Calvary Baptist Church and is an active member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Roderick is a veteran of the United States Air Force, where he served his country from 1989 to 1991.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Roderick Bradford for his passion and dedication to serving Warren County and desire to make a difference in the community.

IN HONOR OF CHARLES REED

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Charles Reed of Huntingdon County for his service in the United States Army. He is an outstanding Pennsylvanian, and I am grateful for his service to our nation, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and our community.

In Pennsylvania and across the country, our veterans have served and sacrificed for Americans' freedom and our values. They answered the call to serve and fight for us—at a great cost. Truly, our veterans are the best of America.

In Congress, it is my privilege—and my responsibility—to stand up for those who have served our country in uniform, as well as to recognize these brave Americans. As a nation, we are indebted to them. On behalf of the 13th Congressional District, I thank Mr. Reed for his service to our nation and our community.

PAT WALKER RETIREMENT

HON. JOE CUNNINGHAM

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Pat Walker and her contributions to bettering the Lowcountry, one meal at a time. For the past eight years, Pat has served as the President and CEO of the Lowcountry Food Bank and helped increase their efforts for food distribution of underserved communities in our district.

Pat's entire life has been about service to others—from a 30-year career in education as a high school teacher and guidance counselor, followed by her 10 years at East Cooper Meals on Wheels as President and CEO prior to joining the Lowcountry Food Bank in 2012. As her friends and colleagues will tell you, Pat's job is not as much an occupation as it is higher calling. Her legacy to the organization includes exceeding all goals established by Feeding America and expanding into the 10 coastal counties of South Carolina with three food distribution centers along the coast.

Pat Walker will now get to enjoy a well-deserved retirement and can rest assured that her tenure at the Lowcountry Food Bank leaves a blueprint for further growth. I thank Pat for her service to the Lowcountry. It is leaders like her that make our community a better place for everyone to live.

HONORING CSU CHANCELLOR TIMOTHY P. WHITE

HON. RAUL RUIZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. RUIZ. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize California State University (CSU) Chancellor Timothy P. White and congratulate him on his retirement.

Dr. White has left a lasting mark on California public education. His story is an inspiration to all, and I am grateful for the doors he has opened for students in my district and throughout the State of California.

Born in Argentina, Dr. White immigrated as a child with his parents to Canada and later to California. The first in his family to seek higher education, he earned his bachelor's degree from California State University, Fresno.

Dr. White continued his pursuit of learning—earning his master's at California State University, East Bay, and a doctorate in exercise physiology at the University of California, Berkeley. He then went on to serve as campus president of Oregon State University, the University of Idaho, and the University of California, Riverside (UCR).

While at UCR, I worked under Dr. White as a founding Senior Associate Dean of Community Engagement and Partnerships for UCR School of Medicine. Under his leadership and tenure, we successfully launched the UCR School of Medicine. Thanks to his commitment, the school has an impressive mission to improve health disparities, better the population's health in the region, and address the physician shortage crisis by recruiting underrepresented students from medically underserved communities.

Over his decades-long career, Dr. White carried with him his belief "in the profound possibility of potential." As CSU Chancellor, he worked to close the equality gap between underserved students and their peers by launching the Graduation Initiative 2025. While he led the nation's largest and most diverse four-year public education system, he also worked to ensure that students could see themselves represented in university leadership. With his commitment, the CSU system achieved more than 50 percent representation for women for campus presidents.

Dr. White is a man of great integrity and character. He is a leader who cares deeply for the people he serves and believes in the cause of education and health equity. I am honored to have worked with him at UCR and am thankful for his commitment to improving the lives of others through higher education. The State of California owes a tremendous amount of gratitude to Dr. White for his service to our state.

On behalf of the great people of California's 36th Congressional District, I thank Dr. White. I am thrilled to join his family and loved ones in celebrating his well-deserved retirement.

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IN HONOR OF DONALD A.
BACHMAN

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Donald A. Bachman of Huntingdon County for his service in the United States Air Force. Donald is an outstanding Pennsylvanian, and I am grateful for his service to our nation, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and our community.

In Pennsylvania and across the country, our veterans have served and sacrificed for Americans' freedom and our values. They answered the call to serve and fight for us—at a great cost. Truly, our veterans are the best of America.

In Congress, it is my privilege—and my responsibility—to stand up for those who have served our country in uniform, as well as to recognize these brave Americans. As a nation, we are indebted to them. On behalf of the 13th Congressional District, I thank Donald for his service to our nation and our community.

**HONORING THE LIFE OF ALFRED
LLEWELLYN HOBGOOD III**

HON. GEORGE HOLDING

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. HOLDING. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life of Alfred Llewellyn Hobgood III. Hobgood spent his entire life in North Carolina. He was a successful businessman, a fixture in the community and above all, a loving husband and father of two.

Alfred Hobgood was born on December 3, 1946 in Kinston, North Carolina to Alfred Llewellyn Hobgood, Jr. and Suefan Gooding Hobgood.

He was raised in Smithfield and attended Darlington High School before attending the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. His time at UNC was formative to his life and the lessons he learned set him up for a successful career in the business world.

After leaving UNC, he began his career under the arms of Jim Wheat of Wheat First Securities.

Then he went to Scott and Stringfellow in Eastern North Carolina. After that, he went on to work for RBC Wealth Management, where he served as Senior Vice President.

Alfred was a passionate UNC fan and an active alumnus, serving as an officer on several boards, including as president of the Co-Founders Club and chairman of the Excellence Fund.

Alfred was also an avid golfer. He was a founding board member of Old Chatham Golf Club and a board member of The Rex Hospital Open. And he passionately supported the First Tee of the Triangle as a past Director.

His weight as a member of the community was felt all over North Carolina as he supported the Parrot Academy of Kinston, the LMH Foundation, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, St. Mary's School in Raleigh, Rex Hospital, and many other charitable causes.

Sadly, Madam Speaker, Alfred Llewellyn Hobgood III passed away on October 6, 2019 at the age of 72. He will be greatly missed by his family, friends, and the entire community.

**HONORING AISHA ERMA LENORA
SAFFOLD**

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Aisha Erma Lenora Saffold, who is a pearl that begins as a particle of dust or dirt and finds its way inside an oyster. Then, the oyster coats the particle repeatedly over time—up to two to four years—until the finished product is a smooth, lustrous white pearl, which often has a value the same as a gemstone, ranging from hundreds to even millions of dollars.

They're found at the bottom of the ocean. They take all the grime and the dust and the dirt from the sea, and they form this valuable gem. For bcnv hopes and dreams.

Our P.E.A.R.L.S. members are led by young women who serve as mentors, and in turn, our mentors develop leadership skills that they will carry with them throughout life. We strive to help young teenage girls build self-esteem, develop leadership skills, and recognize community importance.

She aspires to empower young women to believe in themselves and teach them that validation comes from oneself. In a society where the media implants a false image of whom and what a young woman should resemble, she has vowed to take a stand to teach the contrary and impart knowledge and wisdom in PEARL's lives. She wants every Mississippi girl to know that they are intelligent and beautiful and can reach their goals and excel at all they put their hands towards. As long as they have someone in their corner backing and pushing them to pursue their dreams, they will attain them.

She wants all of the world to know that good people and good things are happening in the Great State of Mississippi.

Aisha knows that our Mississippi girls are future presidents, C.E.O.'s, ambassadors, producers, doctors, teachers, entrepreneurs, and by molding and shaping them, they can achieve so much more.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing and congratulating Mrs. Aisha Erma Lenora Saffold for being actively involved and making great accomplishments in Holmes County.

IN HONOR OF LOUISE A. BEERS

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Louise A. Beers of Huntingdon County for her service in the United States Navy. Louise is an outstanding Pennsylvanian, and I am grateful for her service to our nation, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and our community.

In Pennsylvania and across the country, our veterans have served and sacrificed for Americans' freedom and our values. They answered the call to serve and fight for us—at a great cost. Truly, our veterans are the best of America.

In Congress, it is my privilege—and my responsibility—to stand up for those who have served our country in uniform, as well as to recognize these brave Americans. As a nation, we are indebted to them. On behalf of the 13th Congressional District, I thank Louise for her service to our nation and our community.

**IN RECOGNITION OF THE LIFE
AND LEGACY OF ANTHONY
"TONY" VILLEGAS**

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise today with an aching but appreciative heart, on behalf of the Kansas City community and Missouri's Fifth Congressional District, to honor the memory of Anthony "Tony" Villegas. Kansas City has lost a kindred spirit and happy warrior, who dedicated his life to serving his community.

Scripture tells us, in 1 Peter 4:10, to use whatever gifts we have received from God to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. As a member of the Parish Council for the St. John Evangelist Church in Kansas City, Tony understood this call to service better than most. Tony was blessed with the gift of a loving family, a beautiful marriage that would last sixty-one years, and an unrelentingly optimistic demeanor, and he turned those gifts into a lifetime of public service. He served on several boards and commissions working to strengthen our community throughout his life, including a quarter-century stint on the Board of Public Utilities. Believing that our city was at its best when everyone was given a fair shot, he worked tirelessly to promote inclusivity and unity. During his eight years on the Kansas Human Rights Commission, he worked to eliminate discrimination, segregation, and animus against people of color trying to access public accommodations and affordable housing. And during his tenure as the Commissioner of the Kansas City, Kansas Housing Authority, he held fast to his belief that access to safe and affordable housing was a fundamental human right, and he rejoiced every time he helped a family secure a place to call home. Today, families across Kansas City are safe and warm with roofs above their heads because of Tony's unwavering support and enthusiastic advocacy.

Tony's work did not stop at promoting equal treatment under the law and investing in families' success through affordable housing; he also worked tirelessly to promote equal access to education. As a Board Member and Vice-President of El Centro for eight years, he worked to provide young Latino children with high-quality education. This education has provided the foundation for thousands of students to lead healthier lives, bolster their economic mobility, and advocate for the Latino community through elections and policy initiatives. Through the Academy for Children and various after-school enrichment programs, El